

and void and of no effect immediately or upon the satisfaction of said liens, as the case may be, and thereafter the owner of property described in any such deed may use, transfer, mortgage, lease, sell, or otherwise encumber or dispose of said property without regard to such restrictions.

(b) The Puerto Rico Reconstruction Administration shall not impose, in any deed of conveyance executed by it during the period of liquidation prescribed by this joint resolution, any restrictions except such restrictions as may be required by the laws of the United States or the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

Proceeds from  
sales, transfers,  
etc.

15 USC 721-728.

SEC. 5. There shall be deposited in the Treasury of the United States, as miscellaneous receipts, (a) any and all proceeds from the sale, transfer, or other disposition of the properties and interests aforesaid, (b) the balance remaining in the so-called revolving fund established by the Act of February 11, 1936 (49 Stat. 1135), after costs of liquidation, salaries of employees, and other similar obligations, are paid, and (c) all sums realized from the liquidation of accounts receivable.

SEC. 6. The Secretary of the Interior is authorized and empowered to do all necessary acts and things in addition to those specifically authorized in this joint resolution to enable him to accomplish the purposes thereof.

Report to Con-  
gress.

SEC. 7. The Secretary of the Interior shall, upon completion of the liquidation as directed by this joint resolution, submit a report thereon to the Congress of the United States, reciting the disposition made of properties and moneys.

Approved August 15, 1953.

## Public Law 277

## CHAPTER 502

August 15, 1953  
[H. R. 1055]

### AN ACT

To eliminate certain discriminatory legislation against Indians in the United States.

Indian liquor  
laws.  
62 Stat. 757.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That chapter 53 of title 18, United States Code, is hereby amended by inserting at the end of the chapter analysis preceding section 1151 of such title the following new item:

"1161. Application of Indian liquor laws."

SEC. 2. Title 18, United States Code, is hereby further amended by inserting in chapter 53 thereof immediately after section 1160 a new section, to be designated as section 1161, as follows:

"§ 1161. Application of Indian liquor laws

"The provisions of sections 1154, 1156, 3113, 3488, and 3618, of this title, shall not apply within any area that is not Indian country, nor to any act or transaction within any area of Indian country provided such act or transaction is in conformity both with the laws of the State in which such act or transaction occurs and with an ordinance duly adopted by the tribe having jurisdiction over such area of Indian country, certified by the Secretary of the Interior, and published in the Federal Register."

SEC. 3. The consent of the United States is hereby given to repeal of the third and eleventh paragraphs of article 20 of the constitution of Arizona, and that part of section 1 of article 21 of the constitution

of New Mexico relating to the sales of intoxicants to Indians, if the people of Arizona and New Mexico shall adopt constitutional amendments to accomplish such repeal.

SEC. 4. Section 9 of the Act of June 4, 1920, An Act to provide for allotment of lands of the Crow Tribe, for the distribution of tribal funds, and for other purposes (41 Stat. 751), is hereby repealed.

Approved August 15, 1953.

Repeal.

## Public Law 278

## CHAPTER 503

### AN ACT

To facilitate the development and construction of water conservation facilities by States and municipalities, and for other purposes.

August 15, 1953  
[S. 2094]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That in order to facilitate the development and construction by States and municipalities of water conservation facilities, certain requirements in the Federal Power Act are made inapplicable to States and municipalities as provided in this Act.

Water conserva-  
tion facilities.

41 Stat. 1063; 49  
Stat. 863.  
16 USC 791a.

SEC. 2. The words used in this Act shall have the same meanings ascribed to them in the Federal Power Act.

SEC. 3. Section 14 of the Federal Power Act pertaining to the taking over by the United States of any project upon or after the expiration of a license, and sections 301 and 302 of said Act requiring certain records and accounting procedures and section 4 (b) requiring the preparation and filing of the statement of actual legitimate original cost of a project, shall not be applicable to any project owned by a State or municipality, and such rights and requirements shall not exist under any license heretofore or hereafter granted to any State or municipality, except that the provisions of section 14 and section 4 (b) shall continue to be applicable to any license issued for a hydroelectric development in the International Rapids section of the Saint Lawrence River. The Federal Power Commission in determining the amount of annual charges applicable to any such project may determine the annual charges with reference to the actual cost of services incurred by the Commission with respect to the project.

16 USC 807, 825,  
825a, 797.

Annual charges.

SEC. 4. Except as herein provided, the provisions of this Act shall not be construed as repealing or affecting any of the provisions of the Federal Power Act.

Approved August 15, 1953.

## Public Law 279

## CHAPTER 504

### AN ACT

To permit the coordination of the Wisconsin retirement fund with the Federal old-age and survivors insurance system.

August 15, 1953  
[H. R. 2062]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 218 of the Social Security Act (relating to voluntary agreements for coverage of State and local employees) is hereby amended by adding at the end thereof the following new subsection:

Wisconsin retire-  
ment fund.  
64 Stat. 514.  
42 USC 418.

### "WISCONSIN RETIREMENT FUND

"(m) (1) Notwithstanding subsection (d), the agreement with the State of Wisconsin may, subject to the provisions of this subsection,